

Prescott Arizona

Oct-1-1877

Dear Dr. Jackson -

I am  
sorry I did not see you  
in San Francisco. The  
day you were there I  
was on my back with  
a chill.

I visited Yuma on  
my way here, and reported  
results to the Board. I wish  
you would urge them to  
send a good man to that  
point. There is a  
population of 1500 or more  
and not a single meeting  
for Protestant worship.  
Some time ago a

travelling preacher went  
through there and preached  
morning and evening for  
them. On the spot they  
passed a paper, and  
got a salary of a hundred  
dollars a month pledged  
if he would remain a  
year. I am sure that  
they will give at least \$500  
a year if we send a man  
there. Living is not much  
higher than in Cal. Freight  
from San F. is only 2½ cts. by  
rail, while to Prescott it  
is 9 cts. The climate  
of Yuma is delightful in winter  
- almost unbearable in summer.  
You ought to do soon what  
ever you intend to do, as  
winter is fast approaching.

We held our regular  
Communion Services yesterday.

Two persons united on  
profession. Six children,  
including our own little boy, were  
baptized.

Your paper is doing  
good missionary work in Prescott  
and the mountains around.

Mrs. M. and baby send  
kind regards.

We hold a meeting tonight  
to elect new Trustees and  
decide upon building.

Yours cordially

J. A. Merrill

Anderson and I have  
petitioned to be set-off into  
the Synod of Pacific. That is  
our only way out.

Take up  
Mrs A. R. McFarlane  
Alaska

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 1877

Rev. S. Jackson D.D.

Our Soc. has  
been sending boxes to western  
missionaries for the last four years.  
It will be difficult to prepare them  
this winter, and the ladies seem  
to prefer to send the money. Their  
choice is to support or aid in  
supporting one of their own sex  
as teacher or worker in the Home  
Mission field. We are not willing  
yet to pledge more than \$100.00  
and have really <sup>not</sup> only the half of  
that on hands now

What do you say to the change?  
Would you advise it, and do you know  
any worthy woman worker

79 Adams St.  
Allegany

Mrs E. J. Paxton

Monument Col.

Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 1874.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson;

Dear Sir:

After leaving  
you at Ks. City the sixth of last  
month we arrived safely in  
this place. The little church  
here needs looking after badly.  
My son & myself have been  
looking over the ground care-  
fully. There are five outlying  
preaching stations. There are  
not far from twenty members  
that we think might be  
gathered into the church  
here, provided we had a  
minister. It does seem to me  
that we might take care of

a minister, especially if he had no family.

The Baptists have no membership in town. The Methodists have a young man that cannot meet the wants of the people. Our S. School is doing nicely.

My good husband has gone to his reward, my home is broken up & I have a strong desire to do something for the church of Christ.

Can't you visit us? & then you will know better our necessities. I had thought of Rev. J. A. McIlfee's school in Parkville. He sends out ministers for the home field.

If you can't stop off & preach for us some time before long please let us

hear from you by letter

Yours truly  
Mrs Jane D. Blackly

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# To the Board of Home-Missions of the Presbyterian Church -

In accordance with the recom-  
mendation of the Synod of New-Jersey  
Oct. 1876, a meeting of Christian Women  
was held in the sanctuary of Home-Missions  
Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> 1877 - in the lecture-room of the Third  
Presbyterian Church, Newark, New-Jersey (Dr. Craven's).  
Delegates from within the bounds of seven  
Presbyteries were present. — After hearing  
a report of the little which had been reported  
at head-quarters as done for Home-Missions  
by the women of New-Jersey, belonging to Presb<sup>ry</sup>  
Churches, viz. <sup>about</sup> \$5.800 in value of boxes, and  
\$1.080 in cash, the Convention listened to  
a very instructive address from the Rev. W. C.  
Roberts D. D. — a member of the Board, who  
gave much of the practical information  
needed as to the constitution and policy  
of the Home-Board; and of the ways, viz  
which woman's work for Christ, in the line  
of our own country, can be turned to best effect.

The preamble and Resolutions subjoined  
were then adopted, which were received  
and approved by the Synod of New-Jersey —  
at its session in Newark Oct. 19/77 —

It seems necessary to trouble the Board  
of Home-Missions with them also, in order  
that if the plans meet with its sanction,  
the Secretaries may know the names of  
those appointed to be "a medium of com-  
munications" between them, and the women  
of the Presbyterian churches in New-Jersey —



## Copy of Preamble &amp; Resolutions -

"In view of the action of the General Assembly (see Minutes for 1876, Page 144) recommending "each Synod to appoint annually a Comtee of women to be called the "Synodical Committee for Woman's work in Home-Missions" to be a medium of communication between local societies and the Home-Board, and who in consultation with the Pastor and elders shall have oversight of the work in their respective Synods etc" — which action, in modified form, was confirmed by the Synod of New-Jersey in Oct. 1876. (See Minutes, Page 26, Resolutions 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup>.) — Also in view of the fact that the standing Comtee of the Assembly on Home Missions, at its Session, May 1877, "emphasized the importance of every organization for benevolent work in every Church being tributary to, and in harmony with the work of the Session of the Church, and finding its connection with the Board, not in some outside auxiliary, but in those Scriptural and sufficient limits which inhere in the system of our Church, the Session, the Presbytery, the Synod, and General Assembly"

Therefore —

Resolved. That in the above action of the General Assembly of 1876, endorsed in effect by that of the Synod of New-Jersey, and virtually confirmed by the General Assembly of 1877, we note with gratitude to God, that an onward step has been taken toward a recognition of woman's work, such as shall bring it into official relations to the regular work of the Church; and thus tend to give it greater efficiency and permanence.

2<sup>nd</sup> Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the Synod, (see Minutes, Page 26 - No. 4) this Convention reports to the Synod the following names, being those of two ladies from each Presbytery, who shall, if approved, constitute together the "Synodical Committee," recommended by the General Assembly -

	Presbytery -
Mrs. C. E. Boyd - Rahway	} Elizabeth -
" R. T. Haines Elizabeth	
Mrs. Ashbel Green - Tenafly	} Jersey City -
Mrs. <sup>Dr</sup> H. C. Shelton - Jersey City	
Miss Mary Taylor - Burlington	} Monmouth -
Mrs. Everett - Jamesburg	
Mrs. James P. Wilson (Newark)	} Newark -
Mrs. Duncan Kennedy Bloomfield	
Mrs. Howell - Trenton	} New-Brunswick -
Mrs. Slade - Trenton	
Mrs. Thos (M. Cauley, Hackensacktown)	} Newton -
Mrs. Henry G. Spayd - Harmony	

3<sup>d</sup> Resolved, That the Presbyteries of Morris & Orange and of West Jersey be requested to appoint two ladies each, to serve ad interim on this Synodical Com<sup>tee</sup> until the meeting Oct. 1878.

Of the above Synodical Com<sup>tee</sup> Mrs. Thos (M. Cauley) was named President, Mrs. C. H. Langdon, <sup>Elizabeth</sup> Recording Secretary, and Mrs. R. T. Haines, Elizabeth, Cor<sup>d</sup> Sec -

Some official recognition on the part of the Board of Home-Missioning of the above "Synodical Committee", would help very much to give it an introduction to the women of our churches.

Facts in detail as to the wants of the field, and of the need of money to establish and sustain schools; or to supplement the salaries of our Home-Missionaries will also be of essential aid. Circulars published by the Board can doubtless be used to advantage.

It is hoped that by the blessing of God on this more systematic co-operation now proposed, if carried on with prayer, and faith, and personal consecration, much good may follow - To the glory of His name.

All which is respectfully submitted -

J. E. H. Haines -  
Cor. Secretary -

Elizabeth N. J.  
Oct. 29/77 -

Hermosa, Colorado.

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1877.

Rev John Mac Allister

Dear Sir,

Your kind letter of Sept 6<sup>th</sup> was received and I am very sorry that circumstances prevented my answering before. We were glad to learn of your success in getting names in this valley. for we think a Church organization would do great good here. We are very glad of the opportunity to add our names to the list. We are members of the M. E. Church at Waupun, Wis. tho and we have never received or applied for letters of membership. as there has never been an organization of that denomination where we have lived since coming West.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you here in the valley soon. We are very Truly Yours  
Giles P. Clark,  
Dora Clark.

13<sup>th</sup> Oct 1877  
Chicago, 1060 W Halsted St.

Rev. J. E. Bliss.

My Dear Brother,

The enclosed is just  
to hand please add these names  
to the <sup>(husbands & wife)</sup> addition to membership  
of Annas City Church  
and oblige.

Yours with kind regards  
John MacAllister

P.S.

Please send me a copy of Denver  
Paper giving account of meeting  
of Colorado Presbytery. if not too  
much trouble.

Yours  
JMP

San Juan &  
Parrott City

Fort Wingate, N.M.  
Oct 3<sup>d</sup> 1877.

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.  
Santa Fe, N.M.

Dear Doctor.

The bundle  
of pictures reached me this morning, but  
yourself and party are among the missing.  
I had very reason to think that as  
Dr Thomas had given his term to bring  
you as far as Blue Water that it would  
not be asking too much to bring you all  
the way here. I had my horse all in  
order for you, and after you were here, why  
I would endeavor to make it pleasant  
for you until facilities for making excu-  
sions to other points offered themselves. I  
thought if you were once here you could  
find it profitable to remain at least some

til I should be at liberty to go with  
you to Chago. You can not be more dis-  
appointed than I you at the results of  
all our plans. I hope you will visit  
Chago on your way to Santa Fe; and per-  
haps Jemez springs.

I handed Jewitt and Stafford  
their pictures for which they return your  
self and M. D. J. thanks. Lieut Mitchell  
leaves for Defiance this afternoon, and  
will take the package for your sisters

I spoke to Mr Reed the Postmaster  
about your mail and he said he  
had received a postal card from  
you requesting him to forward your  
mail to Santa Fe.

I dont feel at all reconciled to  
not seeing you at Minyo this fall.  
With kindest regards to your party and  
yourself believe me  
Yours very sincerely  
J. V. Sunderland



West Las Animas, Colorado,

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1877.

Rev Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother, I have just sent a petition to Presbytery from Granada for the organization of a Presbyterian church at that point.

If you can make it convenient I would be pleased to have you come down and take a part in the organization.

The people of West Las Animas would like it if you could spend a Sabbath with us.

The petition asks that

Bro. Bliss be appointed  
on the committee of  
organization, as two of the  
Members, Mr & Mrs Beales, are from  
his church; please confer with him.

There are six names on the  
petition and I think one or  
two others may unite in the  
organization.

I have not got Rocky Ford  
to an organizing point yet.  
I started a Sabbath School  
there a few weeks since.

I haven't got means to attend  
the meeting of Presbytery.

Mrs M. is enjoying better  
health than when she came  
out here. She joins me in kind  
regards to you & your family.

Your brother in Christ  
J. S. Merritt.

Blue Water N. M.

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 1877

Revd Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Santa Fe N. M.

Dear Sir,

Received your note at this place,  
sorry I could not have the pleasure of meeting you.  
Am now en route to Fort Wingate, with 180 Warm Spring Apaches  
which I succeeded in finding about 100 miles south of here in the  
mountains. A few have been killed, and others yet remain scattered  
through the mountains, the latter I am satisfied I can succeed in  
bringing in if I have the time and opportunity.

Two or three of these have breech loading rifles with metallic cartridges,  
and generally pretty well armed. Shall arrive at Wingate with them  
in about four days, have to travel slow, on account of most of them being  
afoot. They will not go to the San Carlos reservation again they say, as  
they will have to fight the other Apaches there, who they state caused them to  
leave: they wish to remain some where in this part of the country, and  
express themselves as willing to work and do as the Govt desires if allowed  
to do so.

Must be brief being alone, (with the exception of a few Navajos) as  
I have to be with the Apaches all the time.

Will write you again as soon as I have them properly settled.

Very truly Yours  
Thomas Meams

~~Return to Sheldon Jackson~~  
~~Denver Colorado~~

Boise City, <sup>Idaho</sup> Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1877

Rev Sheldon Jackson, Jr.

My Dear Brother,

It may not be uninteresting to you if I write a short sketch of my work in this place. Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> found me on the ground looking about the town. Geo. Mason Brayman called to see me and gave me the desired information about the S School and the other church services. The Methodist Conference absorbed most of the attention for twelve days after my arrival. I held one service each sabbath while those learned divines were here. Since they left, I have conducted preaching services nearly every sabbath morning and evening. The attendance has averaged about 33. The S School is in most

interesting feature of the work here.

It has been steadily growing ever since my coming, and will thrive abundantly, if a good live minister is located here. Very much depends on the man. The people are disgusted with exhortation. They want some one that can make the gospel more interesting than the average circuit rider or the ordinary farmer, or the conceited gentleman from the Emerald Isle.

They don't want to be driven or frightened into the church. I hope the man who comes to occupy this place will have great wisdom and wisdom. I seriously doubt

the propriety of conducting service both morning and evening: but that must be left to the judgment of the men stationed here, and the desire of the people. It will be

it be thought wise to organize today - we would not have a single male member. To my certain knowledge one of the individuals that gave you some of the leading facts about the church property here, has been using direct persuasion to keep a Baptist lady from turning away from her former allegiance. I simply state this that you may see how slow even those who bid in God's name are to live up to their words.

Personally the people have been very cordial to me and seem to regret that I am going away. They earnestly desire that a man would be sent to them without delay.

Dr. Suddley said you thought you could supply the needed man and wanted that I should, in common with him urge that if not

power you would fill the bill.

I think with you, that the Presbyterian Church will be very anxious if she allows this proposition to pass: but I don't think the field one of very grave difficulties, and that it needs a man of experience to undertake it.

As for myself I do not think I ought to stay here.

My instructions are to close up my relations with this mission, and after helping to organize the church at Nacoma, and visiting Yakima city, return to Portland. The field in which I expect to be located is in Couville's County Wash. Ter.

I expect to leave here to day. Through the papers I learned if you return from Alaska - The papers speak kindly of your short visit and that you met

Wish to be remembered when  
I write you.

Prayers that the Master of  
the mission will soon send  
the needed laborer I re-  
main yours faithfully  
E. H. Condit.



Don't want to undertake persuading  
the people to buy their own property.  
If the board would only buy the  
church the people would fix it up.  
I have secured the lot on the  
rear of the church building, also  
the one joining the side of the church.  
The title to the \$500. lot is in a very  
precarious condition. Gov. B. thinks  
we had better not be in too much of  
a hurry about buying that.

Gov. Brauman put an extra price  
on the church building. He has  
frankly admitted to me that he  
would be very slow to give \$800.  
for it. I think it can be bought  
for \$500. and should be unwilling  
to give more.

Dr. Lindley has instructed me  
to write to Rev Isaac W. Mansford  
(Coldenwood) and give him such  
information as I think valuable

for my successor. From which I  
infer he is to come here with  
the purpose of staying. I have  
complied with his request and  
mailed him a letter today. I  
noticed by the minutes of the last  
Assembly that his P.O. address is  
put down not at Denver but  
elsewhere. If he is not at D.  
will you please forward the letter  
to him.

It will not be an easy matter  
to get the Baptist people to join  
our Church. Our Ladies will prob-  
ably do so when an organization is  
effected. The others will be slow to  
follow. Mr. Sander is now, in all  
human probability lying on his  
death bed. He told me he was  
so old that even though he lived  
he did not think it worth while for  
him to come back here. Shall

1060 N. Halsted St.

Chicago Ill. 5 Oct. 77

Rev Bro,

Enclosed is copy of Arimas  
Church Site  
City Ch. Site title, referred to in our  
conversation, and which I omitted to  
leave with you.

In regard to Silvertown Messrs. Green & Co.  
promised subscription, Messrs. Rowland,  
& Snowden promised lots, and Mr. Burns  
would assist in building.

As there was no town company there -  
(as there was at Arimas) - the lots being  
individually owned, I did not see the  
propriety of going forward in obtaining  
property as the feeling of the board  
as to immediate action was not  
made known to me

Yours with kind regards  
J. Mac Allister

I have not received these  
prescriptions for of General &  
Garrison:

Fort Mifflin Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1844

Rev. Sheldon Jackson L. D.

Dear Brother,

I thought I would have  
written this letter in time  
so as not to be hurried,  
In the first place I am  
glad to say I am now  
at home sitting by my own  
hearth, I find this little  
house quite comfortable, &  
I am fixed much more  
at ease than I thought I  
could be with so little  
as I had to fix with. I  
feel quite contented & if  
I only had my dear hus-  
band with me I should  
be perfectly happy. The  
people have been very  
kind in helping me to get

wood & fire. Especially  
Mr. Sears & Mr. Lument.

I borrowed a little heating  
stove from Mr Stephens to  
use in my kitchen until  
the California comes. I bought  
enough of that Carpet at Mr  
Sears store. To cover my  
room. It just made me  
sick to pay such a price  
for so poor an article.  
But I could not help it.  
I could not do without  
one, & I had no money to  
send to Portland for one.  
I went with Mr Vanderbilt  
for some chairs & a clock  
for Philip. I bought a table  
for him here. paid \$4.50  
for it. Philip has moved  
into Matthews house. He has  
not have to pay anything  
there. His wife comes to  
school now. I was sur-

prised to find she did not  
know her A. B. Capt she is  
not a bit smart about  
learning them either)  
I asked Philip how long  
they had been married  
He said "My Father gave  
me Anne when I was  
a little boy - for a present  
& I have lived with her  
ever since" (I am afraid  
they are not very happy)  
Matthew comes to school  
& is very anxious to learn  
He says "He want to learn  
quick so me can read  
the Bible all the time".  
I had a funny experience  
I had with him last week.  
He & his wife had gotten  
into some trouble & had  
not lived together for  
almost a year. She is one  
of my best scholars &

I said she was in great  
troubles, I found she was  
w<sup>anted</sup> to go back to her husband  
so I brought Matthew Howe  
with me one day & had  
a long talk with him,  
he said he & his wife lived  
ten years happy together  
but last fall some good  
friends of his told him  
what a bad woman she  
was & that if he was a  
Christian he ought not  
to live with her, I talked  
to him a long time told  
him that altho' his wife  
may have <sup>done</sup> some things that  
was wrong, yet if he was  
a Christian he ought to for-  
give her, I told him he  
had no right to ask God  
to forgive him if he could  
not forgive his wife,  
He went away very thoughtful

<sup>50</sup>  
The next day he came  
back in great trouble  
said he had not been  
able to sleep all night.  
He wanted me to see  
his wife. So I appointed  
a meeting for the next  
day when we would all  
be present. Also another  
man & his wife who  
had come to me with  
their troubles. We had  
the meeting. Had the two  
couples Philip & Mrs Dick-  
enson present. I made  
it a religious meeting. I wan-  
ted to make it as solemn  
as possible. We had the  
conference each one tell-  
ing their grievances. I  
told them the point now  
was whether they were willing  
to forgive & forget the past  
& try to be happy together



again, or try to sin - as  
Christians should do. They  
all decided that they were  
so they went off satisfied  
& seemingly are getting along  
very well since. This is new  
work for me - I do hope we  
will get a minister pretty soon  
to attend to such work as  
this. I don't know as I can  
do any wise about some  
things but I try to do  
the best I can, seeking  
help from above. I write  
you about Mr. Leonard  
taking that young girl. He  
has grown ashamed already  
& has sent her home. There  
is one very aggravated  
case here of one of my  
school girls. I cannot write  
you the particulars about  
it, but if I can get the  
girl away I will bring

her to my house - Oh pray  
for me that I may have  
wisdom - given me  
that I may do what is  
right in all these  
things. May I hope there  
may be money furnished  
me from some source  
to enable me to offer a  
home to any cases where  
I think it will be wise  
to do so. One thing I for-  
got to tell you about  
Philip. They have a boy  
ten years old, His sister's  
child. (The sister is dead)  
So when the clothing is  
sent for. Her & his wife  
there had better be some  
sent for the boy. They  
don't bring the boy to school  
or church. I have talked  
to Philip about it - He says  
the boy has to stay at home

to do the work, But I ima-  
gine his clothes has some-  
thing to do with it - for he  
has been very poorly  
dressed. when I have seen  
him, I wish when the  
boy is sent there could  
be a Dictionary sent for  
Philip & a Bible for  
Mrs Dickinson. She wants  
one with pictures & large  
print (she only sees out  
of one eye) I would like  
to present the Bible to  
her for interpreting.  
We now have the school in  
the old log house - But it is  
not a good place. It is too  
small & it is a cold place.  
That lumber we used for  
seats in the other house  
was so long we could <sup>not</sup> use  
it without cutting it, &

we could not cut it with  
out buying it, so I had to  
buy it. It was much che-  
aper than to have seats  
made. When the Ladies  
send the box to me I wish  
they would send me all  
the pretty worsted pieces  
they can find. I want  
to have work for my sew-  
ing school when they have  
no work of their own, so  
if I can get the pieces I  
will have them piece a  
worsted quilt for the  
Mission. Two or three  
of the white men have  
said to me that the people  
in the east could do bet-  
ter than to send  
a good Physician here.  
They say there is no better  
place for a Dr than Fort  
Wangetti. Mr Vanderbilt

told me that Dr Hall said  
he made more money at  
outside practice, while  
he was here than he  
had ever made since  
he commenced practicing.  
I do wish you could find  
a good Christian Dr that  
would be willing to come  
here, let him have a  
supply of medicines & I  
believe he would do well.  
Of course he must expect to  
do a good deal of doctoring  
among the Indians that  
he would not get paid  
for. A man of the right  
kind one that would take  
hold & help in the meetings  
would be a great help  
(let him be a Presbyterian  
if possible.) & Oh we need  
a minister so much. I pray  
the time will soon come

When one will be found.  
Philip told me that Mr  
Crosby wrote him a letter  
saying he was coming to  
Wrangell some time this  
month. I don't know  
what he is coming for  
unless it is to organize  
these Indians into a  
Methodist church. If he  
comes for that purpose  
I will prevent it if possi-  
ble. There has been several  
young men up from Fort  
Simons lately to preach.  
They will not use our  
singing books, but bring  
their own. Methodist books  
& distribute them. Mr.  
Wanderbilt told me the  
Catholic Co. had sent to  
Europe for a Priest to come  
to Fort Wrangell & that if  
I had not been already

on the field they would  
have. Commenced this fall  
Mr. C. said it was at his  
earnest sollicitation that  
they were moving in this  
matter. This last is of course  
confidential. I was very  
much surprised when  
he told me, you see if I  
had given up coming when  
Dr. Lindsley discouraged me  
the field would have been  
lost to protestantism &  
Christianity. There has a little  
catholicism - Protestantism some  
way already. I have had to  
contend with some of them  
about the idea of confessing  
their sins to Philip & some  
of the others. Oct 15<sup>th</sup> I have  
very sad news to write.  
Our dear Philip is very

very sick, & <sup>(13)</sup>his recovery is  
I fear doubtful. Night before-  
last an indian. Came after  
me in. The night, said.  
Philip was dying & wanted  
me right away. I dressed  
to visit as quickly as I could  
found he had been taken  
suddenly with a severe  
Hemorrhage of the lungs.  
I feared he would not live  
until morning. Today he  
seems a little better, but  
has some bad symptoms.  
I asked him, that first  
night if he was willing  
to go if it was the Lords  
will to take him on. He  
said he would like to  
have seen a minister here  
first. But that it was  
all right. His wife seems  
very devoted & since he has  
been sick. The Indians  
are very much distressed.



28007. Mine - being sick.  
Oct 17<sup>th</sup> The Steamer came  
in - last night. I was much  
disappointed not to get a  
letter from you. I received  
the papers tho' & am very  
thankful. Philip has had  
no return of the fluening, but  
is very feeble. & today I  
gird his hands & feet  
with - very much. I feel  
very anxious about him.  
& I also found Mrs Dicken-  
son sick in bed today  
with a very severe cold.  
Do you see how full my  
hands are. There has been  
three young men here from  
Fort Simpson, attending  
schools for the last three  
weeks. One of them is a  
preacher - but he can  
only preach in his own  
language & now that Mrs  
Dickenson is sick & no

one to interpret for him, I do  
not know how we will get  
along tomorrow. Dr. Lindsay  
wrote me by this mail, &  
sent me a hundred dollar  
He says he has not heard  
from the Board - At least  
had not reviewed my Com-  
mission. He says the Trans-  
fer from the Foreign Board  
to the Domestic has caused  
some friction & therefore  
delay - But has no doubt it  
will all be right in the end.  
I was very glad to get the  
hundred dollars - It will  
not go very far when  
there is so much to be paid  
with it, I have to send the  
pay for my stove, & pay  
my freight bill. (I don't know  
yet how much it is) Then I  
sent with Mr. Wainwright  
for a pair of pillows, &  
a clock & some chairs for

Philip. I also sent for a  
Student Lamp. I have to  
do so much of my writing  
at night that I could not  
do well without one. These  
things I have to pay for.  
My stove is very nice. The  
stove with furniture &  
pipes <sup>freight added</sup> cost me \$33.90 <sup>to</sup>  
~~Portland~~. I sent to a  
friend of mine for it. He  
donated 10 per cent to the  
mission. Where is the  
money to come from to  
pay Philip's store bill up  
to October. I also to pay  
for the wood <sup>the rent</sup> & other  
things for the school?  
Mrs Lindsley wrote me  
said they had sent the  
butter. - But my freight  
has not been sent over?

I hope you did not write anything to Portland about them not sending the things I sent you, I don't want them to think I had complained to you about it, I do hope you will be able to get some of the ladies to be willing to do as you said about paying for the furnishing of my house, if they don't I am going to come out every much behind, as it is I feel that I am going to be cramped & in debt all the year, which is a very uncomfortable feeling to me, I have very little in my house but you know how everything costs here, the one item of carpet cost me \$34. I will also be very thankful if the ladies-

will send me. The boy spo-  
ke off. I think anything  
that is sent to Philip had  
better be directed to me.  
Mrs Lindsley wrote me that  
Miss McBeth had received  
her Commission & would  
start for Liverpool in a  
few days. Do you know if  
she is to get the same  
allowance from the Board  
that she got from the  
Government? The Indians  
came flocking here yester-  
day as soon as the steamer  
came in to know if there  
was any word about a  
white man preacher coming.  
I will keep this letter  
open until the steamer  
comes from Litch, so I  
can let you know how  
Philip is. I went over  
to see Mrs Vanderbilt

to day, & like her very much.  
She has two dear little chil-  
dren. She brought a servant  
home with her, A big  
strong looking irish woman.  
Mrs H. says she would not  
have come back if I had  
not been here, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

As the steamer is expected  
I will now finish this letter  
& have it in readiness. I got  
my butter - find it very nice  
it is packed in a stone jar.

I have seen Philip today &  
find him very much better.  
He looks very pale & seems feeble.  
I think he will be about in  
a few days if he continues to  
improve. When you go east  
could you not have a change  
made & have Philip's Comm-  
ission date from the first  
of August in place of the  
first of October. There are

would have the means to pay  
the indebtedness in the store.

Philips clock cost \$ 4. The  
chairs \$ 2. apiece. I got him  
four. I hope to hear from  
you by next mail. Philips  
was disappointed not to  
hear from you. Mr David  
son told me had sent you  
the pictures sometime ago  
by the grapple. The women  
& girls come to my house  
three afternoons in the  
week for sewing school.  
This with being in school  
visiting the sick & attending  
to my housekeeping keeps me  
very busy. I fear you will  
get out of patience with my  
long letters. But there is so  
much to write about that  
I cannot help it.

Truly yours  
A. K. M. Farlow

Denver Colorado  
Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1877.

Brother:

Will you please give us a letter certifying the standing of Nathan McKillip in your church at the time of his removal from your bounds.

Please do so without delay.

By request of N. McKillip.

E. P. Welsh,

Pastor Pres. Ch. Alma.

Direct to Fairplay,  
Park Co.  
Colorado



School letter No

1877

E. P. Welsh says

Dear Sir

Your letter was received  
the day to day we  
There is no graduation  
season here at present  
I am a member of the  
the committee that was  
organized here at the  
time the day was  
made a member of the  
the standing in the  
church will leave you  
to judge after seeing  
the one more reason  
and judge the place  
with honor as far  
as I know refer to  
the time he left here  
I have a very dear

Denver Colorado  
Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 1877.

Brethren:

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Please do so without delay.

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E. P. Welsh,

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Direct to Fairplay,  
Park Co.  
Colorado

Evans Col

Rev S Jackson

Dear Bro

You are aware  
I was excused and left  
Presbytery before adjournment  
and consequently do not  
know whether there was  
any action in reference  
to Walesmont & Erie. I  
do not know whether they  
are vacated, or at what  
time they will be. If the  
way is open, I would  
make a visit to those  
fields and see what the  
prospect is. Although if the  
present arrangement con-  
tinues for a time it will  
make no difference

I could not well move  
my family before next  
Spring.

I will be pleased to  
hear from you, and  
will be willing to entertain  
any suggestions you  
have to make.

The field at Balmont  
on Erie would suit  
me better than any other  
in many respects if it  
should be found satisfactory  
to the people at those  
places.

Yours as ever  
in the Gospel

J. F. Stewart

~~Walter H. H. H.~~  
~~King's Mountain~~  
~~at the same place~~  
~~1877~~

Franklin Ohio 11 Oct 1877

Dear Bro Jackson

I will soon send you a letter wh. you may publish - As to Trinidad - They paid me within 80 Dols wh. they owed me - I have arranged for contributions on a bell when they shall have settled for all indebtedness - (over 100 dollars for a bell) and purchased the bell -

The deficit in salary is owing simply to inattention on the part of the Presal - When they took hold of the matter 170 Dols was collected in two or three days - I was absent last fall and when they gave their attention to the building for some time so they were behind six months before they were aware of it -

As to the defection you know who they are and why - If the man who goes to Trinidad could only

know something of the characters - Mrs.  
Swallow said to me "the next minister  
must not be intimate with Mrs Phillips and  
family" - but she immediately <sup>added</sup> "I would not  
be willing to tell him" - The whole trouble  
I had across most from the fact that  
Mrs. Phillips is a gossip, and envious -  
thought I think them a christian family -  
If the man who goes there could know this  
it might save him trouble -

Mrs. Gage is sleeping well since we came  
to Ohio - Nellie has taken a very bad cold -

I am at work addressing churches  
on Home Miss - Last Sab. we spoke on the  
"Home Miss work among heathen" - I presume  
the audience were interested for I am invited  
to repeat the same before a union church  
meeting also to give <sup>it</sup> for the benefit of the  
Y. M. C. A. - lecture committee -

Expect to be at Hamilton this evening  
our time engagement is rather late

Love from me to your wife

Your Brother  
L. Gage

P. S. I left the church  
virtually without an  
eldership - My reason  
was this - Mr. Martsofs  
time was about to expire and  
they were not inclined  
to reelect him - The Ch. had  
dropped Phillips - Stark de-  
clined reelection - And  
Mr. Phillips was anxious to  
elect Mr. Bascomb - and  
Mr. Bascomb was anxious  
for the office - He is not  
fit for an elder at all -

I agree with Mrs. Monfort  
who said when at Trinidad  
"better be without an elder  
than have Bascomb - I'd  
rather for have Phillips  
He has more sense - But

I really thought best to  
have no election than to  
have Mrs. Bascomb in office  
I think Col. Swallow  
would vote for Bascomb  
because is a good man  
is a christian - But he is  
full of "exchets" - stubborn  
& has not good sense -

Wife and I both felt so  
But I could not say any  
thing - Mrs. McKinnis  
has moved to Stone Hall  
I had intended to have him  
made elder - I did  
just what I thought was  
best

J. G. L.



Silverton Colo. October 15. 1877

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Synodical Missionary of the  
Presbytery of Colorado  
Denver - Colo.

Sir

I beg to submit herewith to you and your Presbytery a petition signed by several of the residents of the Town of Silverton, Colo. for the purpose of requesting that the Rev. John Mac Allister, who has represented your Presbytery in said Town during the past summer, be returned to Silverton next season and permanently thereafter if possible.

From personal inquiry I am convinced that Mr. Mac Allister has given universal satisfaction in his ministrations here; and that those who have signed this petition are sincere in their request.

Trusting that such request may be

favorably received at your hands, &  
remain

Very respectfully, your obedient servant  
Almon H. Rowd & bush



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,  
Denver,  
Colorado.

Fort Collins, Oct. 16

Dr. Jackson, I wrote you a  
card stating the proceeds of our Fair  
& Festival, but it was \$159.<sup>00</sup> instead of  
137.<sup>00</sup>. This sum will be used by the ladies  
to furnish the church, which together  
with about 60.<sup>00</sup> contributed by the ladies  
society previously, will make our new  
church quite comfortable. Hope we will  
see you here soon

Yours Fraturnally  
D. E. Strick

West Las Animas, Colorado,  
Oct 18, 1877.

Dear Brother Jackson,

We expect to  
organize the church at Granada  
November 5<sup>th</sup> (Monday evening).

Can you come down and  
take part in the organization?  
The train from Pueblo,  
Monday P. M. will arrive in  
time for evening service.

I will spend the Sabbath  
Nov 4<sup>th</sup> at Granada. Wife  
may go down on the train  
Monday.

Would like much to have  
you come down, and also  
make us a visit at West  
Las Animas. We could make  
an appointment for you to  
preach here Tuesday evening.

Wife joins me in

Love to yourself and  
family.

Your brother in Christ,

J. L. Merritt.

Evansville, Indiana Territory.

October 19, 1844.

Dear Brother Jackson.

For some months past a  
Mormon from Shury Coal mines  
has been attending our church,  
and almost always after work-  
ing all day in a blacksmith shop  
has traveled seven miles to attend  
prayer meeting on Thursday  
evening, one week ago last Sab-  
bath he united with our  
church; he is a very intelligent  
man his wife has also found  
the Savior to be the one altogeth-  
er lovely; he has stepped a

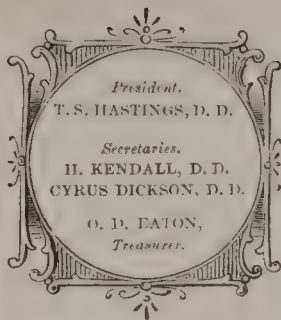
a Sabbath School at Army  
and I expect to preach there  
every other Sabbath afternoon.

I wish we had a small  
library for Army. Every other  
week Tuesday evening I preach  
in Green River, and have  
very good congregations. I  
also stop at "Carter Station".

I really think the people  
along the road are longing  
after something higher than  
they have been living for.

I will write soon and  
let you know more of my  
labors. On haste, with kind  
regards from us all, Yours Truly  
Needs for us. F. L. Arnold





BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS  
OF THE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P. O. Box 3863.

No. 23 Centre Street.

New York, Oct 19 1877

Dear Dr. Jackson.

Kendall

A letter from Dr K  
to day asks that I send you the  
action of the Board on Rev S Saynes applica-  
tion, at the meeting on Oct 23/77. As  
both the Cor. Secys. are away, it has  
been postponed until the 30. of Oct. at  
which time, if desired I will send the  
information asked.

Enclosed find a notice-  
cut from the N.Y. Herald, which gives  
a short acct of the doings in the  
Synod of N.Y. The Womens work  
feature opens up good, My wife  
tells me that Mrs Haines seems quite  
ready and anxious to go to work for  
N.Y. Now that N.Y. has moved  
in this matter and several other

Synods and Presby's. I think with  
proper push and management the  
work will soon take a prominent  
place in all our land. I look for  
10 or 20 organizations in Elizabeth  
Presby. inside of a year. My wife  
(or pronounced) tells me they were very emphatic in  
their determination to be auxiliary to  
no other Socy. Though Mrs Graham was  
on hand, and ready to say come, we'll  
take you.

The Synod is having a big tonic  
over the "See" case,

Money has been <sup>sent</sup> to Dr Lindsay  
for Mrs McFarland & Philip McKay.  
The Board has not fully systematized  
its Treasurers work, & won't until Dr K  
gets back. The inquiries we  
have about the Alaska work incline  
us to think that it will draw the cash  
as no other mission has done so far.

Your truly  
O. C. Boyd

St. Louis, Mo.

Oct 20, 77.

Dear Dr. Mrs. Jackson  
So far safe - rain all  
the way - "Drotsky Kawa"  
& No. 20 both under water,  
after being below four  
weeks in Mexico - No cold-  
come the clouds, the  
cooled the water - no  
heat, no dust, no thirst.

Here on the tickets which  
I forgot to leave - Perhaps  
you can turn them off  
at Garland for board &  
lodging & balance & close  
the account if not let her  
be paid from my account

the proceeds, so that I can  
settle my account with  
the Board.

This dash could speak  
leads me to hope that you  
will have a good time  
to go to Santa Fe Pueblo.

W. B. Please ask them to  
hurry forward all their papers  
as soon as possible so they  
shall be surely before us  
in time for the next meeting.

Have seen both Hill &  
Allen. Both report matters  
favorable in their respective  
Synods.

"The Olla" is still from

Yours truly  
H. Kendall

Ans

Portland, Oregon 3/20/77

Dr. D. Jackson D.D.

Dear Brother:

Your letter of Oct 12<sup>th</sup> was received yesterday. The confusion at the Home office about the commissions of Mrs Mc Farland, and Philip Mc Kay, was created by a brief note of mine addressed to Dr Dickson - knowing of the absence of Dr Kendall - and giving the latest information from Alaska. Referring to your Report for the information in detail, I assumed that you would forward a Report to the Home Board. In the want of this Dr D. paused. I immediately wrote referring to data forwarded to Dr Kendall, and giving a summary of my proceedings, went the case. This letter brought an answer to-night with remittance of \$500 for Mrs Mc F. and Philip Mc Kay, and with this concluding deliverance, "We most cordially assume the Alaska work."

This will relieve you from any necessity of making a detailed Report.

I will try to prepare for you, or cause to be prepared, a brief sketch of Synod's proceedings.

I have the great pleasure to announce that Stratton was unanimously chosen Synodical Missionary. I will remit \$50 (fifty dollars), currency on Monday next. This I believe was the sum you advanced to Mrs Mc Farland.

I am now in pursuit of two or three men for Boise, one of whom will accept the position, I have reason to believe. But if you find a good man for the place, don't fail to let me know.

Miss McBeth has gone back to her self-denying tasks. She should not be forgotten in the prayers of the Church.

Faithfully yours in the Fellowship  
A. J. Lindsey.



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE - THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.  
Denver  
Colorado

Del Norte - Colo. Oct 20 '99

Dear Ben.

Your's rec'd. Mrs.  
<sup>Darley</sup> D. says "go" - and I think  
we can arrange "home  
matters" so as not to  
interfere.

So I'll (D.W.) be on  
hand at Garland City  
Tuesday, Oct 30<sup>th</sup>.

I do not see need for  
other horse. "Frank" good  
for it. Dist<sup>s</sup> - are as follows  
Garland City to Conroy's 42 m.  
Conroy's by new road to  
Turpe Amarilla - 65 m.  
So only 160 miles 1st week,  
& 2nd week only about 125 miles

3 — — — 3 — — 140 —

Horse will cost at least \$1.  
a day & hire - plus something else.  
But if you desire it, write in  
mediately, look out for another  
letter Wed, night - You & M. Darley

Smith has been helping Geo. Daily  
Quadrant the last lat. - at Lake

Del Norte - Colo. Oct 22 '77  
Dear Rev. Jackson -

I wrote you Saturday  
promising you another  
letter by Wed.

I write to tell all I  
know of Tierra Amarilla.  
It is deemed the most  
central point for reach-  
ing the San Juan River.  
The Rito - Charma &c.

Its centre - 80 miles west-  
and 25 to 40 East of about  
8000 or 10000 people (American)  
"Chicago Colony" butts against  
it on north. - talk of mill  
stone & in there this fall.  
When over the San Juan River  
we are 30 miles from Am



Ormas City! Serafin  
B. Aragon of Rio San Juan  
said he could <sup>over</sup> ~~to~~ Tierra  
A. every 15 days to church  
if mission there - some  
for "if a man wants a  
preedy he will go for it".  
Tierra Amarilla is about  
40 miles above Abiqui.  
ditto from Ojo Caliente.  
altitude 7000 feet - 500  
lower than this. Trend  
of streams south - ~~to~~.  
Russell Sgt. very much  
liked by all - and if any  
one recommended by  
him - it would ensure  
his popularity. My Couverts  
Aragon & Chavez and families  
from Los Pinos and San Juan.  
Strong in the faith yet - so  
writes Chavez.  
about 50 whites in  
Tierra A. neighborhood

a few have families.

All that section of country including Tierra Ancho stream and its 4 plazas belongs to some Mexican - not to the actual residents.

Church there not occupied by priest - Key in hands of people. Some disaffection between owners and Priest.

Small port through New Mexico - also at Conchos.

I am badly worn with over study - and look to the divine to refresh me. Circumstances for my leaving for trip never so favorable this year as now. Only fear for too early confinement of Mrs. D. but Nov. 14 will let me back 5 days before earliest regular Ex. pretancy. I'll have French

backboard and harness all  
in first class trim. I think  
I'll buy another robe - so as  
to be warm about feet - as  
backboard open. I will only  
carry grain and my valise.  
I do not ~~see~~ need of your  
expending money for extra  
horse - let "Frank" reciprocate  
your gift of his horse.  
One horse will cost less for  
feed than two. I leave here  
Godwilling Monday Oct. 29th.  
Write me immediately on  
receipt of this. Bring your  
overshoes with you. Storm  
has been through this Country  
Geo. had 2 feet of snow last trip  
from Curay - but expect fine  
weather now all through till  
Jan'y. I'm glad Presy's recon-  
mended me again to Bob.

Yours fraternally

Alex. W. Dalrymple

Geny. Hank for Geo.  
Smith of Curay  
to New York  
Oct 29th

Geo W. Gallagher  
Princeton  
New Jersey.  
The Sun

Princeton, Oct 24th, 1877.

Rev Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,  
Dear Brother:

I am interested in the  
West and am thinking of settling there  
when I graduate from here next  
Spring. There is one point I am not  
acquainted with and I would be obliged  
to you if you would inform me about  
it. If I should settle in a place where  
there is only a Mission church or small  
organization, what amount of money  
can I depend on permanently? Please  
do not misunderstand me. I am willing  
to work in any place where there is  
a chance that a church can be  
built up. I would take a small or-  
ganization in <sup>a</sup> town of three thousand  
inhabitants or more and work hard  
to build a church. If I can have

plenty of people to work on and a fair prospect that I can accomplish something & am willing to take any field and work for Christ. But before I undertake such an enterprise I like to know just what I may expect.

If <sup>you</sup> would like to know more, one I can refer you to Dr McGill of the Seminary, or to some of my friends near you, Rev E M Deems of Longmont, or Rev R. G. McKim of Salt Lake.

Any information you may think of value will be gladly received by myself and my roommate who is also thinking of "going West."

Sincerely Yours

Geo W Gallagher.

1000  
Lake City, <sup>Colo</sup> Feb 25, 1871

Mrs. Sheldon Jackson;

Dear Sir,

Your

letter with the letter of the  
Ladies of Millerville was  
received and since, the  
\$15. We were very grateful  
for it, but I purchased flour  
with it, which now is \$5.  
per bu. weight but will soon  
be 8 or 9 dollars.

The church in Pucay is  
finished and was dedicated  
free of debt on the 17th of Oct.  
1870. A number of women went  
over with Mr. Farley and  
assisted in the dedication.

Mr. Smith is pleased with  
the place, and talked of  
joining the c. He will see you  
when you arrive in Geneva.  
In the evening, there came in  
a severe snow storm, snow  
underfoot being 4 or 5 ft deep  
on the range and blowing  
very hard over head. Mr  
Smith's feet became sore  
of the trail, as 4 or 5 miles  
could be, was obliged to ride  
and Mr. Gardis walked the  
remaining 2 1/2 miles.

This season has been one of  
snow and ice. I see I have  
thought he would be obliged  
to ride with the winter clothes.

I will go to as soon  
as he returns from the north  
the intended edition their  
game and business a place  
in the reading room. Mr. V.  
occupied the Chapel last  
Sabbath.

The hope of persons  
that we were proceeding to  
have a program there this  
winter they will be 40 to  
50 people there this season.  
People from the  
North and



Santa Fe N. M.  
Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> 1777

Dear Friends

I will stop eating  
long enough to write you.  
I have gained wonderfully  
fast in health & spirits - the last  
two weeks. Appetite seems to be  
a permanent fixture -

I happened to have the Impetigo  
book in my pocket book, & send  
it Endorsed. If this is not  
right please let me know.

From the present indication  
I will be able to begin service  
in one or two Mexican houses in a

few days. I have been invited  
to the house of an influential  
Mexican, and his family are  
reading the Bible & are waiting  
for the priest. My work is very  
much more encouraging than  
ever before. Several have come to  
me for books, and to invite me to  
their houses - This week I fear I  
will not be able to visit all the places  
I have promised, as I have spent  
this afternoon <sup>in</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>city</sup> organizing  
a society in the city.

Miss Spence of Sacramento  
invited me that she will come  
and keep house for me, and  
as boarding is out of the question  
and I find that her course will

not make our Expenses any more  
than mine would be at the Hotel

I am very anxious to have the  
Stone, so that I may give all the  
time possible to the work and to study  
Mrs Palmer is very kind to keep  
silly with her children while I am  
out, but as her stay is uncertain  
I am the more desirous to have  
Miss S. come immediately -

Will you please send her a half-  
fare ticket by way of the Atchison  
Topeka & Kansas <sup>R.R.</sup> with instructions  
to come by Garland, as there is a  
Stage route from there, much  
cheaper than by way of Almond.

Please direct to Miss Mag. Spence  
Care Mrs Henderson -  
Logansport - Ind.

The congregation have decided to  
keep Mr Smith another year -  
We has turned the S. I over  
to me - why I do not understand.  
But I muchly took charge -  
I believe I will try to gather in men,  
I am anxious to get a psalter  
singing book with written music  
accompanying the words. I find the  
natives very willing to come & sing  
with me - I shall also have to teach  
a class of women, for every day  
I find some new addition to  
those who wish to come & learn -

Will you please let me know if  
you send a book to Mrs Spence -  
14  
me in the book  
A. C. Griffith

Sage City Colorado.  
Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Dear Brother:

I take this opportunity of informing you that the Oway Church is finished & dedicated, free from debt except the \$68<sup>00</sup> asked from the Board of Church Erection: The Oway Church, was completed & dedicated in just 68 days from the time I raised the first dollar:

It has cost me considerable money & some pretty hard trumps I have made 7 round trips crossing the range eleven times & three times by the road.

The last trip was interesting, as it stormed all the way when we were on the homeward road

by the time the Inen got to  
be 3 to 5 ft deep Brother Smith  
looked quite sobber:

With this mail I will send  
you some views of Omy & its  
vicinity, also the Church: it  
is in one of the views, you  
will easily recognize it:

The Pr. C. Brethren have  
gone off by themselves:

but I am pleased to say  
that it makes no difference in  
my congregation: I preached  
twice last Sabbath & God willing  
I expect to every sabbath.

I hope that something will  
soon be done in regard to my ~~late~~  
salary: My tools are nearly gone, &  
I received \$173.00 from an estate of  
Mother Br. & there in but little  
of that left: Yet after all is  
said, I feel a satisfaction in

knowing that the work has been  
<sup>done</sup> on the field, & that there is  
a house dedicated to the worship  
of the living God, in Curray;  
& I pray God that his richest  
blessings may rest upon the it.

Yours in the one Hope

R.D. Geo. M. Darley,

Mr. D. sends best regards.

Please do what you can to hurry  
up the \$687.<sup>00</sup> for Curray Church.

Lo M. D.

Washington D. C. Oct 31.. 77

My Dear Dr:

A letter which I have lately received from Dr Landendale and one today from Genl Hatch tell me that you are back to Drown. Dr L's letter told me of your turning back from Bluewater, but nothing more. & Genl Hatch just said you were in Drown - so I judge your trip at an end. I did not answer your letter inmediately judging that you would be occupied about Winzali, Defiance &c at least six weeks. I am very sorry indeed that your plans should have come to naught - and the light in which Dr L put that affair at Winzali - makes it a most despicable proceeding in the part of the Officer in Command



Lucie Hatch wrote in regard to the Navajo  
deers. I told her to keep it here  
Cod. if you had not already taken  
it. What did you do about Pottay?

If you are home now, I presume  
you will be coming on here so soon  
that if you have advanced any  
money on purchases, it will be  
time enough to give it to you then.

If you come here I hope that  
Mrs J. & myself will have you for  
a guest for a little while, at least.  
Kindest Regards to Mrs J and  
the Children -

Yours truly  
W. H. Jackson

I have neglected in your letter to  
not say anything about this matter  
over long of the desire for  
in the town of Long Branch, N.J., and  
the town of Long Branch, N.J., and  
the town of Long Branch, N.J., and  
the town of Long Branch, N.J., and

My dear  
I am very glad to hear  
of your success in this  
business. I have been very  
satisfied in the matter and  
you kindly precedes.  
The my sister is only  
- and - but at the  
are spent in laboring  
with me. And I am  
ready; for it is now  
certain that I must  
leave this place on  
account of my health.  
- that, too, a very shortly  
or I fear my labors  
will be at an end

... I have a couple  
... I am I never but 11  
... pretty well for a day or  
... time of ... the  
... the last week I have  
... more very much  
... prostrate at times with  
... movements & ...  
... I found the ...  
at ... in ...  
... as ...

... 12 hours after my  
arrival ...  
my elder ... will my  
... main depend  
... for work, asked for  
... their ...

He also withdraws his  
financial aid. Next day  
my ...  
...  
... has a couple

tion of 2. But after  
everything had passed in  
that & we had time to look  
around a little we found  
that the case was not  
hopeless after all. Last  
Feb. through ~~through~~ our  
-is. was not very large  
we had quite an access-  
ion of new scholars and  
everything went along  
satisfactorily until the  
11<sup>th</sup>. But Mrs. P. was unable  
to leave to see her  
out of your - they with  
her husband, she  
me that she means to  
attend S.S. still, &  
Church. Her  
a kind man -  
Methodist - has just  
your - to

with her & he will  
take the Bible class,  
where I am, will  
make a good Superin-  
tendent.

Do not forget to  
state that also, on the  
evening of last Sat.  
though a very stormy  
evening, I had a good  
congregation as I have  
never before in the last  
2 months.

Today we were  
drawn together & we  
were melted into  
at the home of a  
scholar, Mattie  
H. May. The house was  
crowded beyond its sitting  
capacity the best time I  
ever seen the night.

Just Sat.  
we had Communion & baptis-  
mal service at Leona.  
A stormy day but we

and than usual.

Several who had given  
me reason to believe they  
would join would look at  
the last name, but were  
not we received they are  
professioners of the Holy  
Bible. Mrs. Calver has  
four children were  
baptized. Think the service  
was profitable both to those  
who partook & to those who  
witnessed. My members  
at Alma are whole souled  
& independent workers;  
& they can be left alone  
for a little while without  
serious damage to our  
interests there. I do not  
think that a little rest  
would do the Church any  
harm now. I have mentioned  
the Methodist man here

and I have not found  
any very fair. It is my  
opinion that we will have  
sent him off before you  
can get another man  
in there, unless you see  
him very quick.

The ~~Board~~ rejected my  
proposition to alternate  
in morning & evening  
service. I had a chance  
yesterday at the funeral to show  
them & the people what  
ministerial manners &  
magnanimity was in  
the ~~Presbyterian~~ Presbyterian  
Church. And I think they  
were able to note the dif-  
ference.

If my health allows sufficiently,  
by next week I want to make  
a visit of some weeks to  
the South Ark. District & so

put us the present quarter  
up to the 10<sup>th</sup> of Dec. . . . it  
would seem that I am fast  
work you may look for  
me at Denver almost  
time . . . . . would  
— sides it all the same, & the  
; ill. field should "run out"  
well, & if my physical frame  
should give into pass without  
order in not given, then  
I might stay there until  
arrangements can be made  
or my entering upon  
my new field. . . . .  
I must spend the main time  
in Denver or the East. . . . .  
travel about the 19<sup>th</sup> of Dec.  
if it would seem well for  
me to supply there for  
a little while. It is certain  
that I cannot stand it well



a week longer in our  
present work.

As to the field which Sister  
I would enter, even our  
united labors, you alone  
Utah, & Utah I prefer. I am  
afraid I will not get very  
much to justify me in  
undertaking a new one.

Sister leaves the choosing  
of a field to me, & I feel she  
leaves it very largely to you,  
though I would like some  
description of those now  
open. What time do you  
desire us to enter upon  
our united work? If the  
Board could advance sister  
money enough to reach the  
field, I know she needs it.

Address me still at Fair Play  
at once directed. With love  
reminds to you - yours, and  
your Brother, E. J. Smith.

Monument Col

Oct. 25 1877

Rev. Sheldon Jackson  
Denver

Dear Sir

Walter read your kind favor of recent date and we were all much encouraged by it. Permit me briefly to set forth several considerations in addition to what she writes:

The Baptists have a church here - barely alive - not a single member in the village or nearer than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles distant.

The Methodists have an organization feeble & only one member in the village. These two Denominations have worked here for some time but with

Small success so far  
The Presbyterian & Congrega-  
tionalists number in the  
village 12, with several  
outside & considerable  
promising material that I  
think could be worked in  
soon. These 12 number the  
majority or nearly all the people  
of social & religious influence  
in the village & the Cong.,  
will all work with our church  
if if we can do anything.

Monument, after several  
years of no growth has  
commenced apparently a  
new period of growth &  
activity. There are now 5  
stores in the place and another  
large one is to be started in  
the spring & an creditly  
informed. One Cheese Factory  
manufacturing the milk of

700 Cows has been in full operation this season near the place and another is to be started this coming season right in the village. I do not anticipate any rapid growth but think we have a steady & substantial growth to look forward to.

This village ought to be taken charge of now by our Church. In point of numbers & influence we have an undoubted advantage over any other. We Presbyterians are really running the Union S. S. here - Supt & Teachers all Presbyterian except one lady teacher - a Congregationalist. There are 3 good outlying preaching points which a live energetic young man could fill afternoon & evenings or half of his Sab morning if desired, where can

You find a more profitable  
opening for a Home Missionary

We will do all we can toward  
the support of a Minister  
I should judge perhaps could  
raise \$ two to three hundred  
the first year - possibly more  
much would depend on the  
man of course

Neither Methodists  
nor Baptists have a man  
living in the place at present  
(a Minister I mean)

Of course an old Fagg  
could not do anything here, we  
must have a man of some talent  
& social qualities to unite the  
elements here as well as of piety

Yours Truly  
A. B. Blackly  
Mother and wife send regards